

## Joshua 6: Victory

*There are conditions to living in victory.*

Accept God's Plan

Follow God's Leaders

Be Content with God's Blessings

# Joshua 7: Defeat

*To live in victory, we must learn from defeat.*

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Hardened by hidden sin

*Who can discern his errors? Forgive my hidden faults. Keep Your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then will I be blameless, innocent of great transgression. May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.*

*Psalm 19:12-14*

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*All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time.*

*1 Peter 5:5-6*

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*And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom  
you were sealed for the day of redemption.*

*Ephesians 4:30*

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Let God humble you – warmth, not coolness (self-belief,  
self-confidence, self-reliance, self-assurance)

*Do not put out the Spirit's fire.*

*1 Thessalonians 5:19*

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Accept God's forgiveness

Give Glory to God – not personal victory, GRACE!

Confess – say what God says

Repent – turn from sin and trouble, turn to God

**God is good, just and gracious!**

*Fathers shall not be put to death for their children,  
nor children put to death for their fathers;  
each is to die for his own sin.*

*Deuteronomy 24:16*

*For what I received I passed on to you as of first  
importance: that **Christ died for our sins** according to  
the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was  
raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.*

*1 Corinthians 15:3-4*

# Conclusion: Surrender to God

His plan allows defeat

His conviction reveals His priorities

His forgiveness brings us to Him and victory

